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REPLY

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Box Fee Amendment PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated Mar. 12, 2004, kindly amend the subject application according to the amended claims in the section which follows:

Applicants noted, pursuant to a change in inventorship, removing Mark Weih, that a revised filing receipt was to be forthcoming from OIPE, per the Action mailed 12/04/2001. Applicants' records do not show that a revised filing receipt was obtained.

Claims 56, 57, 63, 64, 115, 144, 145, 146, 153- 155, 158, 159, 164- 166, 169, 170, and 171 were rejected under 36 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph.

Claim 144 is amended to remove a repetition of terms.

With respect to §112 rejection of claims 153 and 164 these claims are canceled.

Claims 56, 57 and 64 are amended by amendment to claim 56, to specify that the substrate further comprises an elastomer. It is clear from claim 101 that the coating may be limited to predetermined selected areas on the substrate. An elastomer as part of a manufactured article would be understood as another tpe of metal substrate, supported on page 22, line 17. See amended claims 159 and 170. Applicants submit

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that metal substrates can be manufactured articles, not constructed exclusively of metal, therefore, but may include other materials affixed to them in myriad ways, beyond the scope of the diclosure, and that the claimed coatings on the metal substrates are a clear distinguishing feature.

Regarding § 112 rejection of claims 63, and 115, these are canceled.

Regarding § 112 rejection of claims 153 and 164, these are canceled.

Several claims are amended to replace the term "metallic material" with "metal substrate" to be consistent with the independent claims.

Dependencies were changed in some claims where antecendent claims were canceled.

The Office is authorized to charge deposit account 12-2143 the amount required for the petitoin for extension of time for filing a response to the Office Action. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the claim rejections and allowance of the amended claims are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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